

IN THE CLAIMS

1 (Currently Amended). A method comprising:
receiving in an electronic device, at least two items of address data used with personal information management software; and
comparing said two items of address data in said device to determine whether the items are consistent with each other. ~~the address data to data in an independent database to determine the integrity of the data.~~

2 (Original). The method of claim 1 including comparing the address data to data in a database on a processor-based system that also stores said personal information management software.

3 (Original). The method of claim 1 including comparing the address data with data available from a database accessible through a network.

4 (Original). The method of claim 1 including comparing the address data to data accessible through the Internet.

5 (Original). The method of claim 1 including automatically determining whether data sought to be entered into personal information management software is consistent with data stored in an independent database.

6 (Currently Amended). An article comprising a medium storing instructions that enable a processor-based system to:

receive at least two items of address data used with personal information management software; and
compare said at least two items of the address data ~~to data in an independent database to determine the integrity of the data~~ whether the items are consistent with each other.

7 (Original). The article of claim 6 further storing instructions that enable the processor-based system to compare the address data to data in a database on a processor-based system that also stores said personal information management software.

8 (Original). The article of claim 6 further storing instructions that enable the processor-based system to compare the address data with data available from a database accessible through a network.

9 (Original). The article of claim 6 further storing instructions that enable the processor-based system to compare the address data to data accessible through the Internet.

10 (Original). The article of claim 6 further storing instructions that enable the processor-based system to automatically determine whether data sought to be entered into personal information management software is consistent with data stored in an independent database.

11 (Currently Amended). A system comprising:
a processor; and
a storage coupled to said processor storing instructions that enable the processor to:
receive at least two items of address data used with personal information management software; and
compare said two items of the address data to determine whether the items are consistent with each other. ~~data in an independent database to determine the integrity of the data.~~

12 (Original). The system of claim 11 wherein said storage stores instructions that enable the processor-based system to compare the address data to data in a database on a processor-based system that also stores said personal information management software.

13 (Original). The system of claim 11 wherein said storage stores instructions that enable the processor-based system to compare the address data with data available from a database accessible through a network.

14 (Original). The system of claim 11 wherein said storage stores instructions that enable the processor-based system to compare the address data to data accessible through the Internet.

15 (Original). The system of claim 11 wherein said storage stores instructions that enable the processor-based system to automatically determine whether data sought to be entered into personal information management software is consistent with data stored in an independent database.

16 (New). The method of claim 1 including correlating a postal code with a geographic region to determine if the postal code and the geographic region are consistent.

17 (New). The method of claim 1 including comparing an area code to a geographic location to determine whether the data is consistent.